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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121), dated November 16, 2005, in the above-identified application.

The Amendment filed on September 7, 2005, was said to be non-compliant Applicant has not responded to the obviousness-type double patenting rejection based upon claim 1-8 of U.S. Pat. 6,814,912 in view of Moren et al. (U.S. Pat. 5,908,680).

This Amendment is believed to be timely submitted. It is believed that no fee is due; however, in the event a fee is required, please charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 13-3723.